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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
BEFORE THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES**

In re Application of:) Examiner Gary B. Nickol, Ph.D.
Gerritsen, <i>et al.</i>) Group Art Unit No. 1642
Serial No. 09/684,458)
Filing Date: October 5, 2000)
For NOVEL POLYPEPTIDES, THEIR)
NUCLEIC ACIDS, AND METHODS)
FOR THEIR USE IN)
ANGIOGENESIS AND)
VASCULARIZATION)

Commissioner for Patents
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NOTICE OF APPEAL

Dear Sir:

Applicant hereby appeals to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the decision of the Examiner dated March 26, 2003, finally rejecting claims 24-35, 60-63 and 67. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(b), the fee for this Notice of Appeal is \$320.00. A Petition for a three (3) month extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) is enclosed.

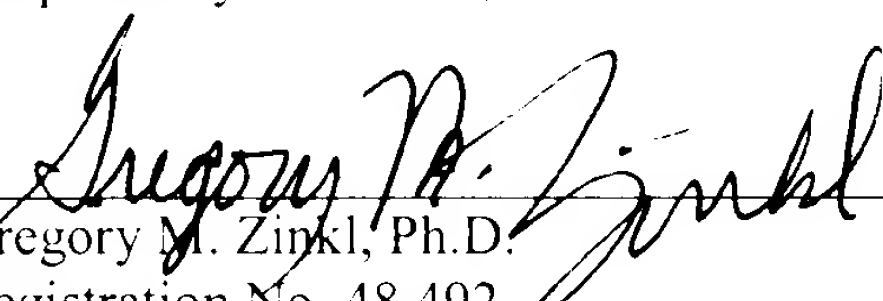
The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-3140. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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